

VA 2014 Budget Fast Facts

Total VA funding has grown in 2014 by nearly 58% from 2009

2014 Appropriation Highlights

Benefits Claims Processing

- \$2.5 billion (up \$294 million over 2013 enacted) for more efficient benefits processing through technology enhancements, improved business processes, and intensive staff training
- Invests \$136 million for Veterans Invests for Veterans Claims Intake program (VCIP) that will allow for the conversion of paper to digital images into VBMS
- Supports the completion of 1.3 million disability compensation and pension claims
- Provides funding to complete 4.3 million education claims, a 6.5% increase over 2013

Information Technology

- 82% of 2014 IT Budget supports direct delivery of medical care and benefits to Veterans
- Over \$3.7 billion (up \$359 million over 2013) for a reliable and accessible IT infrastructure, a high-performing workforce, and modernized information systems for Veteran services and benefits
- \$155 million total investment for the development and implementation of the Veterans Benefits Management System
- Total investment of \$168.5 million for development and implementation of the Veterans Relationship Management initiative
- \$344 million for the integrated Electronic Healthcare Record (iEHR),
 a joint effort with DoD to share health information

Medical Care

- \$54.6 billion for Veterans medical care in 2014 (up \$1.9 billion over 2013) and secures timely, predictable funding for health care through 2015 with advance appropriations
- \$1.4 billion (up \$41 million from 2013) to further VA's integrated plan to end Veteran homelessness, including \$250 million for the Homeless Grants and Per Diem program to aid community organizations
- \$7 billion (up \$469 million from 2013) to expand inpatient, residential, and outpatient mental health care
- \$7.6 billion (up \$729 million from 2013) to expand institutional and non-institutional long-term care services
- \$460 million (up \$19 million from 2013) is for home telehealth to improve access to care
- \$422 million (up \$51 million from 2013) for needs of women Veterans
- \$4.1 billion (up \$493 million from 2013) to meet the needs of nearly 675,000 Veterans returning from U.S. operations in Iraq and Afghanistan

Veterans Employment

 Provides \$104 million through a new Transition Assistance Program to help separating Servicemembers better transition to civilian life

National Cemetery Administration

- \$250 million for operations and maintenance to ensure VA's cemeteries are maintained as national shrines
- Expands access to burial services by supporting three new National Cemeteries in Florida and Nebraska

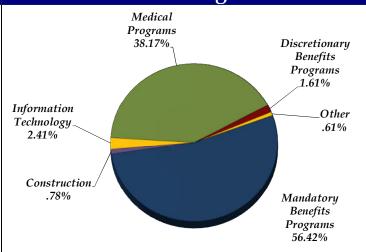
Construction

 Supports four major projects - Completing one medical facility project underway and fully funding 3 new National Cemeteries

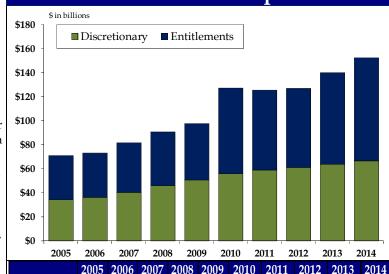
Entitlement Benefits

■ \$86.1 billion for mandatory benefits, including disability benefit compensation and Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits

FY 2014 VA Budget Breakout



VA's Historical Perspective



	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Entitlements										
Discretionary										
MCCF	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.1
Total VA	70.9	73.1	81.8	91.0	97.7	127.2	125.5	126.8	138.5	152.7

Discretionary Funding by Appropriation (\$ in millions)

Medical Care	\$57,684
Medical and Prosthetic Research	586
Veterans Benefits Administration	2,455
National Cemetery Administration	250
General Administration	403
Information Technology	3,683
Construction/Grants	1,184
Office of Inspector General	116
Loan Administration Funds	160
Total Discretionary	66,522